

# 2002 MRFSS Striped Bass Report

## Atlantic Coast Marine Fishery

Figure 1. Striped Bass Caught - Maine to North Carolina

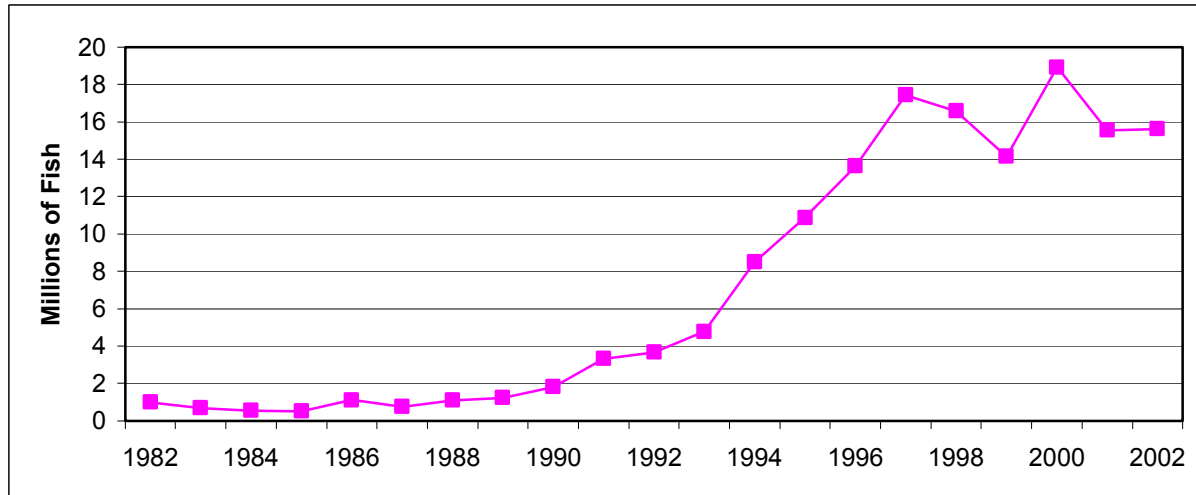
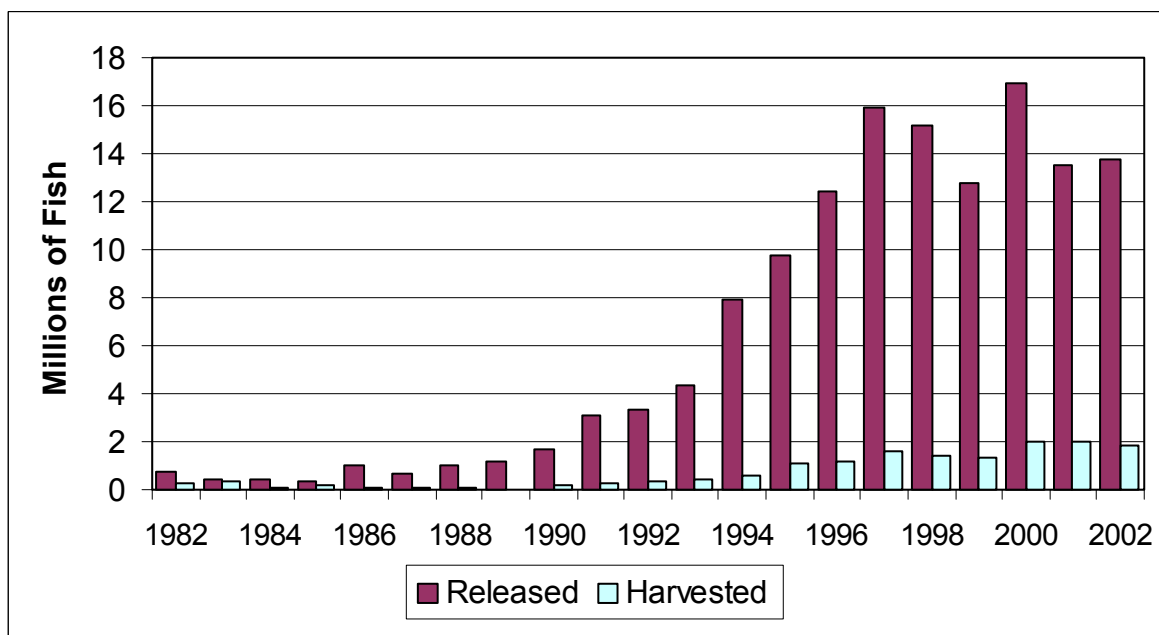


Figure 2. Striped Bass Landed and Released Alive - Maine to North Carolina



## Maine - North Carolina 1982 - 2002

Figure 3a. Estimated Total Angler-Trips per Year

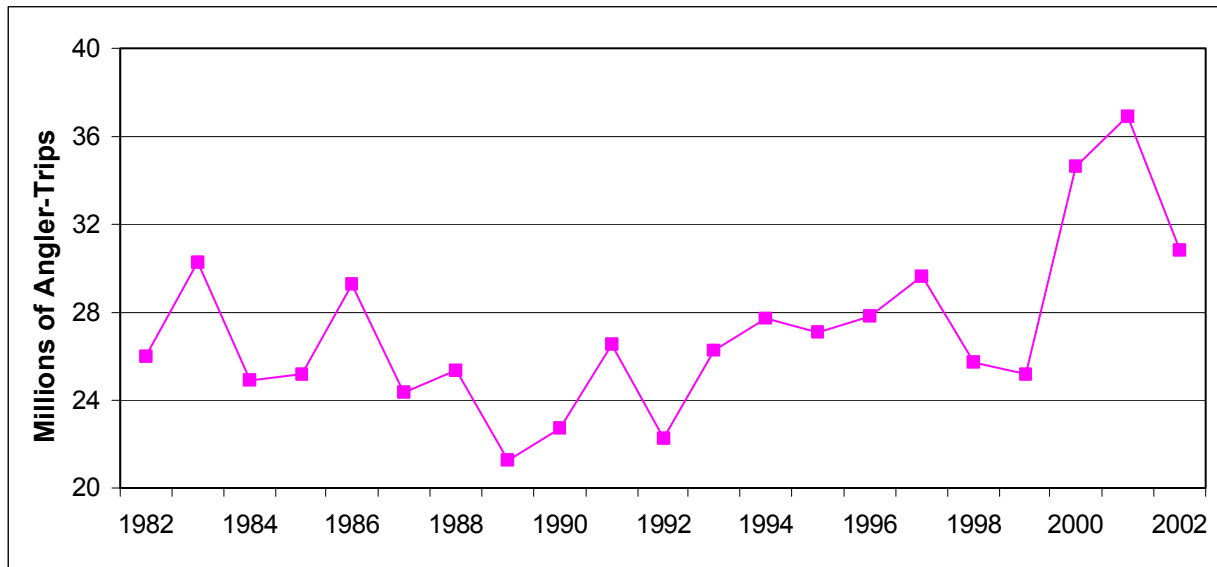
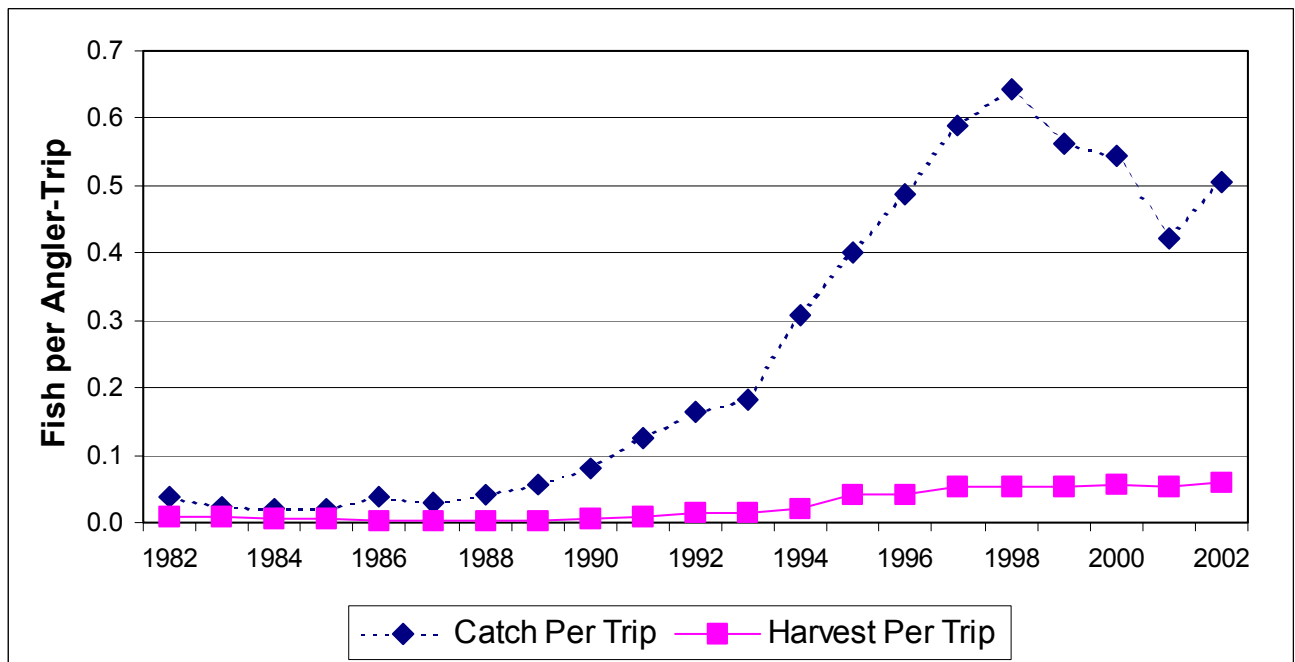
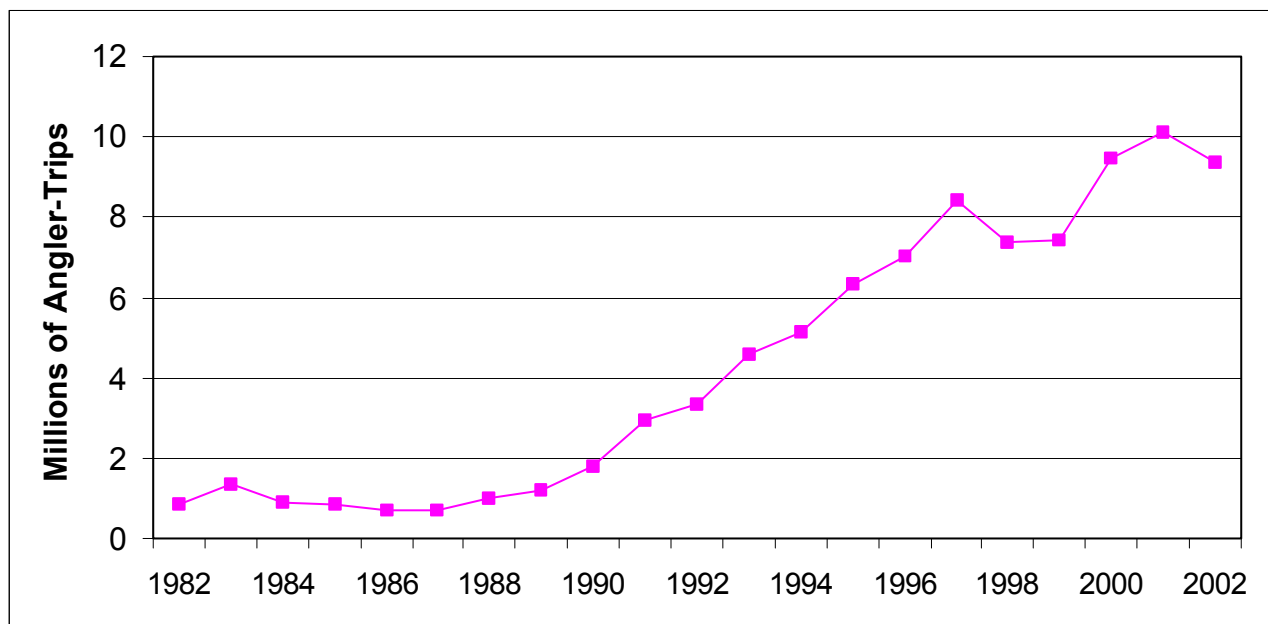


Figure 3b. Striped Bass Catch and Harvest Rates



**Estimated Directed Trips for Striped Bass  
Maine - North Carolina  
1982 – 2002**

**Figure 4.**



# **Striped Bass Catch and Harvest Distribution by State Maine – North Carolina 2002**

Figure 5a. Catch Percentage (numbers of fish)

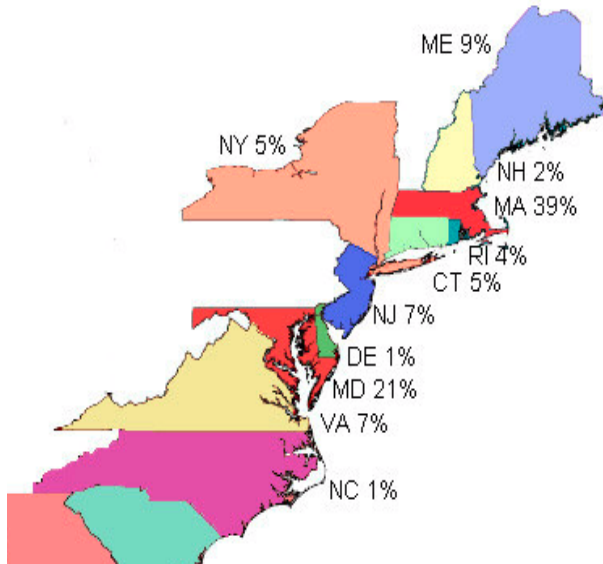


Figure 5b. Harvest Percentage (numbers of fish)

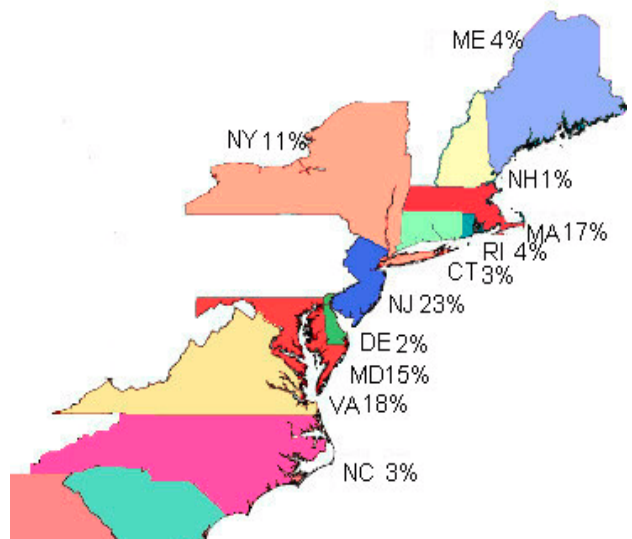
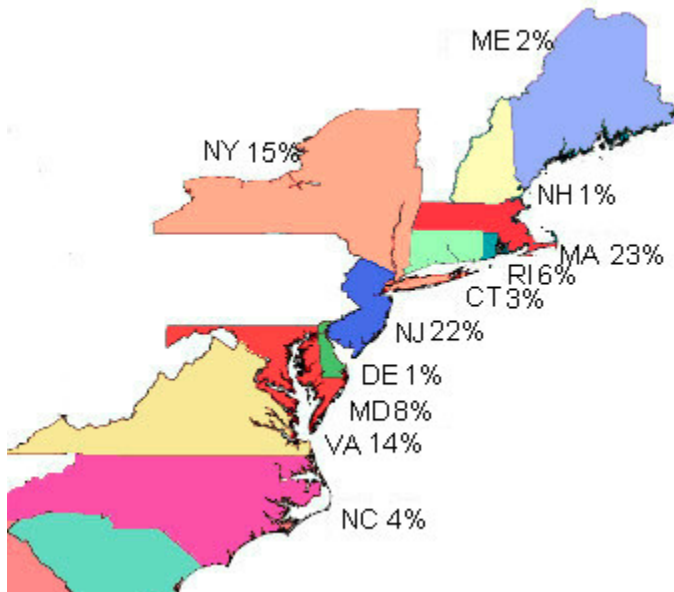


Figure 5c. Harvest Percentage (pounds harvested)



## Striped Bass Catch - Seasonal Trends

(based on Numbers of Fish 1982-2002 pooled)

Figure 6. North Atlantic Region (Maine – Connecticut)

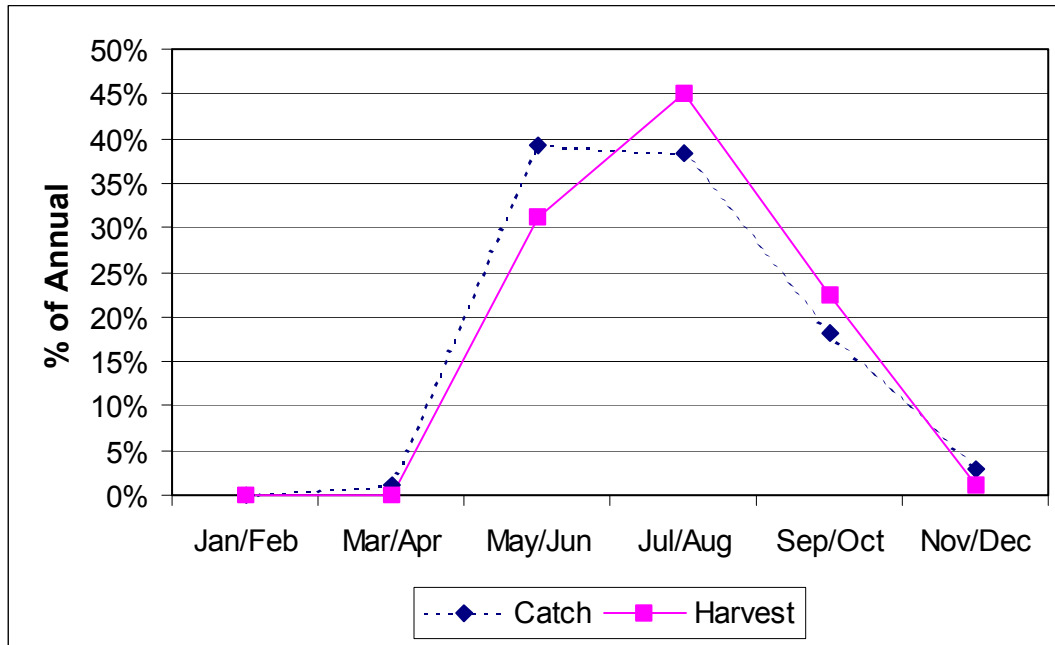
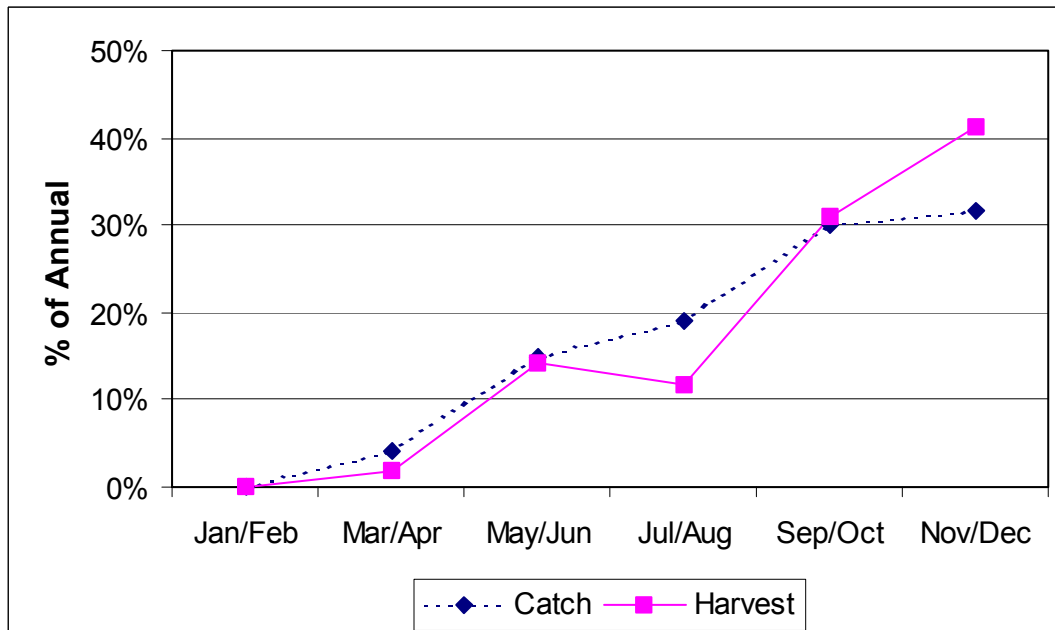


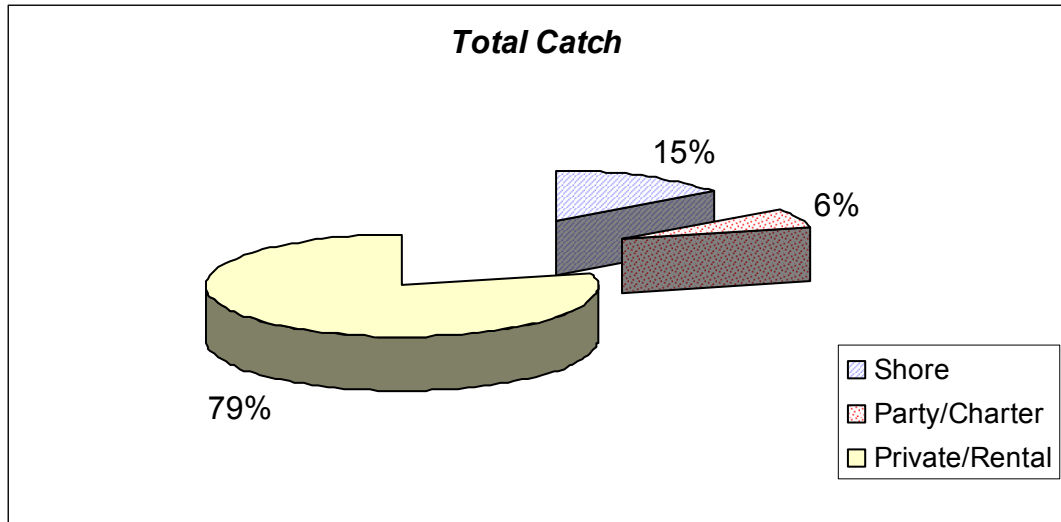
Figure 7. Mid-Atlantic Region (New York – Virginia)



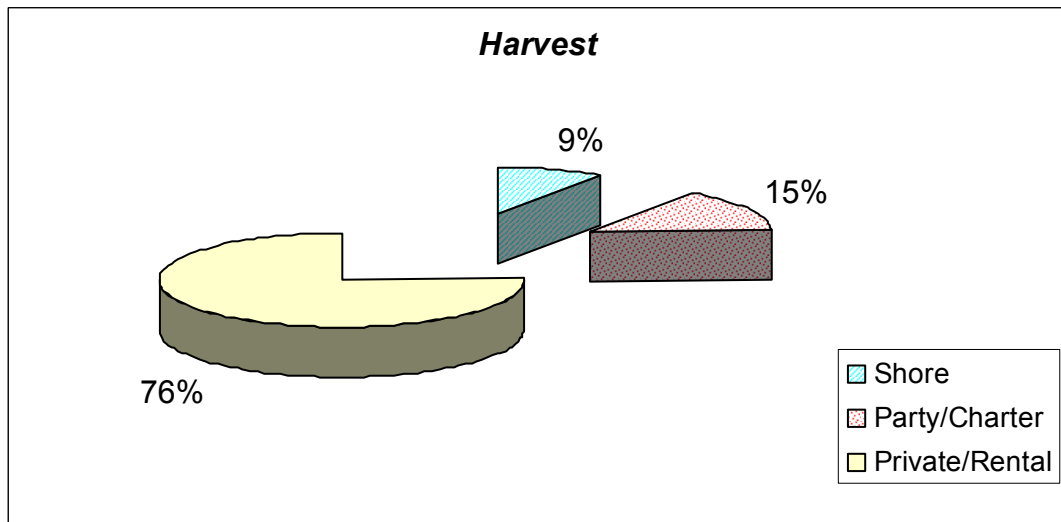
**Striped Bass Catch Estimates  
Maine – North Carolina  
by Fishing Mode**

**2002**

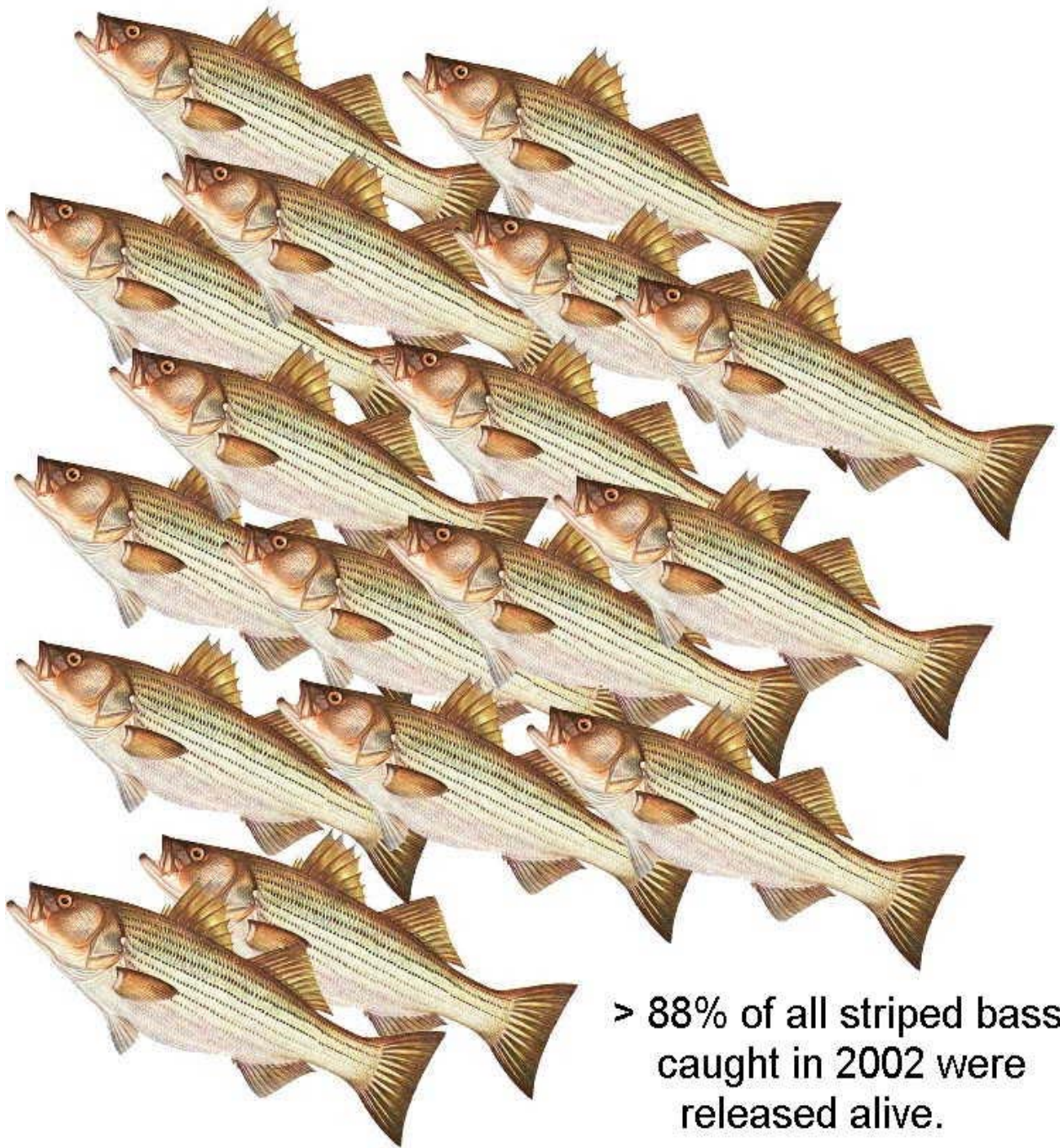
**Figure 8a. Total Catch (A + B1 + B2)**



**Figure 8b. Harvest (A + B1)**



*Catch and release ..... it's catching on!!!*



> 88% of all striped bass caught in 2002 were released alive.